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Title: CARD CONNECTOR

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 40 pages, including 1 independent claim and 14 claims total.
2. Drawings - 39 sheets of formal drawings containing 42 figures.
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Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application No. 2000-111321, filed April 12, 2000 and Japanese Application No. 2000-326019, filed October 25, 2000.

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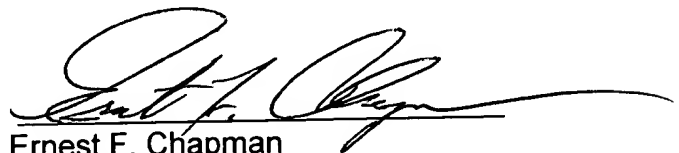
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